

Clemson University

Organization Description

The South Carolina Center for Grassroots and Non-profit Leadership is dedicated to building the capacity of the nonprofits most in need of assistance in the state. The Center was formed in 1998 as a result of a collaboration of major foundations, universities, nonprofit and faith-based networks, and state agencies. The Center is located within the Institute on Family and Neighborhood Life at Clemson University and has served as a CCF intermediary since 2002.

Project Description

Through the South Carolina Rural Communities Compassion Project, the Center will help build the capacity of rural faith-based and community organizations (FBCOs) throughout South Carolina.

Geographic Scope of Project

Rural areas of the State of South Carolina.

Partnering Organizations

- Sisters of Charity Foundation of South Carolina
- Spartanburg County Foundation
- Community Foundation of the Low Country
- Francis P. Bunnelle Foundations

Sub-Awards

The Center and its partners anticipate providing 20-30 sub-awards ranging from \$5,000-\$20,000 for a total of \$400,000 in sub-awards to rural FBCOs in South Carolina

to build capacity to address social service priority areas.

Priority Areas

Homelessness, elders in need, at-risk youth, families in transition from welfare to work, those in need of intense rehabilitation such as addicts or prisoners, and couples who need skills and knowledge to form and sustain healthy marriages.

Project Objectives

1. Provide capacity building training through distance learning events and 4 state regional workshops.
2. Provide individualized technical assistance through website and referral.
3. Execute an open and fair sub-award process (establish sub-award committee and timelines, announce RFP, select sub-award winners).
4. Provide individualized technical assistance and monitor sub-awardees.
5. Pre-and Post-assess training participants and sub-awarded technical assistance participants. Collect and analyze data.

Project Strategies

The Center will provide distance training events, workshops, web resources, and technical assistance referrals to all interested FBCOs. Sub-awardees will be provided additional technical assistance through face-to-face consultation with key FBCO personnel and board members.

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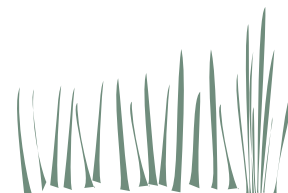
Project Outcomes

The following are project outcomes for FBCOs participating in the South Carolina Rural Communities Compassion Project:

- Improved knowledge in one of five critical areas of capacity building.
- Implementation of changed practice and/or policy.
- Improved knowledge in two or more of the five critical areas of capacity-building (for sub-awardees).
- Outcome measure of sub-award achieved (for sub-awardees).

Grant Award Amount

\$799,938



Compassion Capital Fund

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